Menomonie Urban Forestry Board Minutes

June 20, 2018

Committee Members Present:

Cindy Gilberts (2 hrs.)

Mike Schendel (4 hrs.)

Joe Jax (2 hrs.)

Mike Smith (2 hrs.)

Bob Giede (4 hrs.)

Others Present:

Justin Utpadel, Dick Henning, Randy Eide, Bruce Heath, John Johnson, and Sue Hitz

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe Jax. Roll call was taken by passing around a sign-up sheet and recording the volunteer hours. Minutes were sent to the committee prior to the meeting and were reviewed.

<u>Acceptance of Minutes of June 20th meeting</u>: A motion was made by Cindy Gilberts, and seconded by Mike Schendel to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried on voice vote.

<u>Visitor</u>: Justin Utpadel from U. W. Stout was introduced. Justin gave us some information on the construction at U. W. Stout. They have three major construction sites. They have removed some trees. They have some new designs and landscaping. They are in the process of milling and re-purpose the wood from the trees. They are going to use the wood for planks to use in the ceilings.

<u>Lumberjack Foundation Status</u>: Troy Peterson from Cedar Corp. gave us a blue print of the base. Liquid wood is used for decayed wood. Possibly we will be using it. The rot is in the feet and boot area. (The void does not go all the way up) There are four to six cracks that will need to be sealed.

<u>Tree Memorial Update</u>: Bob Giede reported that the tags were cleaned, sealed, and replaced. The tree is currently at the Leisure Center. Bob will contact Mr. Johnson at Stout to help move the tree to the library.

Urban Forester Report:

- Plans are underway for the booth. We are planning to have pictures of the benches, brochures on invasive species. Possibly having the Memorial Tree at the fair with brochures on the Heritage Program.
- Updating the Heritage Brochure.

Park Superintendent Report:

- No benches placed. There are four more benches to be picked up. This makes a total of twelve benches.
- Tree Program: There were 13 trees sold and all paid.

City Council Report:

- Stout Road new sidewalks (Culvers to Kwik Trip, and from the Dialysis Services to Oaklawn School. Harmon Concrete is completing the concrete work and plan to be done in two weeks.
- Menomin Bridges are scheduled to be completed by September, 2018.

Items for Next Meeting Agenda:

Lumberjack Status, Tree Memorial Update, Heritage Brochures, DNR Bench Status and locations

Next meeting: July 18th at City Hall Conference Room at 2 P. M.

Adjournment: Mike Schendel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Bob Giede.

Minutes taken by: Sue Hitz